## **Edwin Earl Cooper (1945 – 1967)**

Edwin Cooper was born on June 7, 1945.

In 1964, when he was 18, he joined the United States Navy and served as a Hospital Corpsman flying in helicopters with the United States Marines.

He was awarded the bronze star for action under fire. He was assigned to squadron HMM163, MAG 16 (Marine Air Group) of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing (MAW). He was not married and was listed as a Protestant.

HN Cooper was killed in action (KIA) on February 21 1967 at Thua Thien, South Vietnam. His helicopter crashed due to hostile fire.

His name appears on the WALL in Washington D.C. and is located at Panel 15 East, Row 82. Of note, there are 692 Navy Corpsman listed on the Wall who died in Vietnam.

He is posthumously recognized as a member of the USMC/Vietnam Helicopter Association.

